

HE BUMPED
SKY-SCRAPERSExciting Experience in the
New York Jungle

IN A RUNAWAY BALLOON

Frank Owens Tried to Land After a Successful Trip and Had a Difficult Time, But Finally Got Down.

New York, June 14.—A runaway dirigible balloon caused a sensation to-day when it swept around the flagstaffs on the city hall, crashed into several skyscrapers and finally floated across the East river into Brooklyn. The dirigible was navigated by Frank Owens, who left New York, crossed the Hudson river and, with the ship under control, circled over the city hall.

While he was trying to land in the park west of the city hall he stopped the engine and the dirigible, losing its momentum, swept against the building. The aviator threw out the ballast, barely in time and then made a flying leap to the netting of the balloon in order to escape when the car hit the chimney. Thus he disappeared in Brooklyn, where he effected a safe landing. Thousands of people witnessed this escape.

New York, June 14.—Charles K. Hamilton today made light of his New York-Philadelphia trip, declaring that he intended to make a "real flight" just to show what he could do. Probably Hamilton will enter the New York-Chicago-St. Louis race, for which big prizes are offered. It is said that he got \$10,000 for yesterday's flight from this city to Philadelphia and then return.

THINK HUSBAND AND
WIFE WERE INSANE

Testimony Shows That Peculiar Things Were Done by Mr. and Mrs. Porter

Charlton—No Close as to Murderer.

Como, Italy, June 14.—The police department of getting any clue to the murder of Mrs. Mary Scott Charlton, whose mutilated body was found a few days ago in a trunk in the lake here, and the disappearance of her husband, Porter Charlton. Constantine Ipoloff, a Russian suspect under arrest, told the story of his acquaintance without apparent trouble. Italian authorities have cabled London to keep watch for Charlton. If alive, he is expected to try and return to America. Ambassador Lelshman is here directing a new dragging of the lake in quest of clues or Charlton's body. That both Charlton and his wife were insane is indicated by the stories of villagers who passed the Charlton home late nights. They saw wild orgies, dances on the lawn by the couple in scant attire, incantations and weird exercises. The official staff of Count Glynin, a Milan procurator, who is supporting the investigation, said that undoubtedly the woman was insane and probably her husband also. "When the crime is solved, if it ever is, it will be found that it was the product of a diseased brain."

SUICIDE BY INHALING GAS.

Worcester Man Kills Self While Family Watches Circus Parade.

Worcester, Mass., June 14.—Gustave Ogren, 51 years old, who was reported missing from home last week and found wandering along the shores of Lake Quinebaug Saturday afternoon, committed suicide yesterday at his home, 4 South Crystal street, while his family was out watching the circus parade. For six months he had suffered from headaches, and because of his ill health and the fact that he was out of work he became despondent. When his wife and daughter returned from watching the parade they found him lying dead on the bed, and in his mouth was a gas pipe, which was attached to a gas jet.

GIVES \$100,000.

South Portsmouth, R. I., Woman Made Many Public Bequests.

Boston, June 14.—Public bequests of \$100,000 and personal bequests of \$100,000 are provided for in the will of Miss Catherine R. Barslow, late of South Portsmouth, R. I., which was filed for probate yesterday. The sum of \$100,000 is given to the Massachusetts General hospital for a free bed for chronic patients; \$40,000 to the Newport, R. I., hospital to maintain a free bed, preferably for patients from South Portsmouth, R. I.; and \$40,000 is given to the Redwood library of Newport, R. I.

GLIDDEN TOUR STARTED TO-DAY.

Twenty-one Contestants on 2851-Mile Trip—First Stop at Louisville, Ky.

Cincinnati, O., June 14.—The seventh annual Glidden tour automobile race started at 9 o'clock this morning on the first lap of the 2851-mile trip. The contestants number 21, one starting every two minutes. To-day's trip, the first of sixteen, will be to Louisville, Ky., where the first stop will be made.

COMMISSION IN SESSION.

Vermont and New York Champlain Commission Met in Burlington.

Burlington, June 14.—A joint meeting of the New York and Vermont Champlain commission to decide the location of the Champlain monument is being held in this city to-day.

THINK MURDERER
NOW IN VERMONT

Evidence That Phelps Who Shot Deputy Sheriff Haskins at Monroe Bridge, Mass., Is Working Toward Canada.

Brattleboro, June 14.—Word received from Readboro, six miles north of the scene of the killing of Deputy Sheriff Haskins at the Champlain monument, Mass., by Silas N. Phelps of Monroe, Mass., at the home of Phelps at Monroe bridge, strengthens the belief of the Vermont officers concerned in the pursuit of the fugitive that the man has crossed the state line into Vermont and is intending to follow the mountain ranges north to Canada.

Yesterday morning when the school house in the southwest part of Readboro was opened by the teacher and pupils it was discovered that some one had slept there Sunday night. A fire had been built in the stove and as it was still warm the occupant of the building had doubtless left about daylight. It was evident that the person had built a fire to dry himself and this would be natural for if the one who entered the Readboro school house was Phelps he must have been soaked to his skin after being in the woods in Sunday's steady downpour of rain for over ten hours.

Trucks entering and leaving the school house indicated that the visitor came from the south and was evidently headed to the north and west. The school house is about four miles north of Phelps home in Monroe. Phelps is well acquainted with all of the surrounding territory.

If the man can get into the logging camps in the towns of Stratton or Somers he may be able to evade his pursuers for many weeks. Vermont officers, who have had occasion to go into the camps on search of men say that it is difficult to get a person as his companions are inclined to shield even the most desperate criminals when officers of the law are attempting to apprehend them. M. O. Hides, the Readboro constable, who went with Sheriff Haskins of Phelps' assault upon William Penman Sunday morning, is not a stranger to Phelps. He says that the fugitive will shoot upon sight and that unless he is captured within a few days he will probably seal himself within the mountains and make his way by easy stages. He can easily follow the Green Mountain range almost all of the way to the Canadian border.

\$150,000 FOR JEFFRIES-
JOHNSON PICTURES

New York Moving Picture Agent Offers That for Rights—Fighters Considering Proposition Seriously—Agent to Assume All Responsibility.

San Francisco, June 14.—William T. Rock, New York agent of a moving picture company, to-day offered \$150,000 for picture rights of the Jeffries-Johnson fight. This is the largest legitimate offer received. Rock will assume all the responsibilities of every kind. The fighters are considering the proposition seriously.

DOCTOR SHOT BY PATIENT.

Gave Excuse That Physician Had Failed to Cure Him.

St. Louis, June 14.—Dr. John M. Grant, one of the best known physicians of this city, was shot twice by Aloisius Rayne, driver for a department store, yesterday. The physician was alighting from his automobile in front of his office when he was attacked. One of the bullets passed through Dr. Grant's body and the other struck his head.

STOMACH TO BE ANALYZED.

Body of Alphonse Pinkham, Aged 50, of Dedham, Mass.

Bangor, Me., June 14.—The body of Alphonse Pinkham, 50 years old, a farmer near Bangor, was found in the woods near Bangor hill pond in Otis Sunday. Although it is generally believed that death was due to natural causes, the stomach was sent to a chemist for analysis.

HORSESHOE WORKS CLOSE.

Perkins Company at Valley Falls, R. I., Shuts Down.

Pawtucket, R. I., June 14.—The Rhode Island Perkins Horseshoe company works at Valley Falls shut down yesterday for an indefinite period, according to a notice given at the works, and 400 hands are out of employment.

SCHOONER ASHORE IN FOG.

All On Board Were Lost Save Five On Government Schooner.

Wilmington, Delaware, June 14.—The government schooner, the *Heard* from Venezuela, was lost off the coast of Delaware. The vessel went ashore in thick fog Sunday.

NEW OFFICERS
ARE CHOSEN

Daniel S. Danforth of St. Albans Grand Commander

OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Retiring Grand Commander Frank D. Dewey of Montpelier Read His Annual Address To-day at Convention in Burlington.

Burlington, June 14.—At the 68th annual convocation here to-day of the grand commandery of Vermont, Knights Templar, Daniel S. Danforth of St. Albans was elected grand commander, succeeding Frank D. Dewey of Montpelier. George F. Root of Newport was elected deputy grand commander; Frank L. Clark of Rutland, grand generalissimo; William H. Brewster of Middlebury, grand captain-general; Olin W. Daley of White River Junction, grand senior warden; Alfred J. Hough of Montpelier, grand junior warden; C. W. Whitcomb, grand treasurer; H. H. Ross of Burlington, grand recorder.

The annual address was read to-day by the retiring grand commander, Mr. Dewey. The thirteen subordinate commanderies have approximately 2,500 members.

COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION.

At the meeting of the council of deliberation yesterday afternoon the following officers were chosen: Grand first lieutenant, Henry L. Stillman; grand second lieutenant, Charles A. Calderwood; grand minister of state, Hamilton S. Peck; grand chancellor, Olin W. Daley; grand prior, Silas H. Danforth; grand treasurer, Charles W. Whitcomb; grand secretary, Henry H. Ross; grand master of ceremonies, George F. Root; grand hospitalier, Charles A. Chapman; grand senechal, George H. Reynolds; the three following appointments were announced by the illustrious commander-in-chief: Grand standard bearer, Smith S. Hallard; grand captain of the guard, Isaac D. Bailey; grand sentinel, Albert Kilham. The officers were sworn in by the illustrious Brother Perkins and illustrious Brother D. S. Danforth, acting marshal. Proclamation was made in the south, east and west.

23d Degree Exemplified.

During the afternoon was also given the exemplification of the 23d degree, Knight of the Royal Axe, or Prince of Lillians, in full ceremonial form. The degree was worked by the following men: Thrice potent, William B. Ralston; senior warden, Arthur E. Clement; junior warden, George W. Root; grand master, Craig; sentinel, George F. Root; stage manager, Albert Kilham; committee on fraternal courtesy, George H. Kinley, 33; John A. Corbin, George H. Holden, Henry H. Ross, 33; Clarence H. Boecher, Henry S. Patrick.

Vermont Consistory.

One of the most impressive sessions of Vermont consistory in some time, and doubtless one of the most interesting spectacles of the week, was the work of the 30th degree last evening on nearly a half hundred candidates, the work being under the direction of George H. Reynolds, commander-in-chief of the consistory.

DIAMOND THEFTS CHARGED.

Cook of Colored Cavalry Called to Account in Court.

Winlock, June 14.—Henry O'Neill, cook in Troop M, 10th Cavalry, was arraigned in municipal court yesterday and bound over to county court charged with the theft of diamonds from Sergeant Lewis of the same troop. Bail was fixed at \$300, which he could not furnish and he was placed in jail. O'Neill was trying to pawn a diamond ring for a pair of shoes last Friday in Morris Hanford's store, when Sergeant Lewis appeared on the scene and secured the diamond. O'Neill was immediately placed under arrest at the fort. Lewis learned that O'Neill had been very free with money of late and asked the local police to watch him. Sergeant Lewis was robbed of diamonds to the amount of \$1,000 and some cash last winter. The diamond that O'Neill had was valued at \$25, for which he claims to have paid \$5. He could not tell the name of the man from whom he purchased it.

WENT OVER BANK.

Automobile Badly Damaged, but Occupants Escaped Injury.

White River Junction, June 14.—A narrow escape from a serious accident occurred here Sunday, when an auto driven by Frank Adams, while attempting to turn around on Maple street, went over the bank into the White river and turned turtle.

TAX PAYMENT POSTPONED.

Concurrent Resolution to That Effect Introduced into Senate To-day.

Washington, D. C., June 14.—A concurrent resolution was introduced into the Senate to-day by Senator Cullen and referred to the committee on finance, postponing the payment of the corporation tax until July.

The Civil federation is busy preparing a public playground for the children of Barre. Open-air sports under trained instruction will soon be offered. They need your help in such a great undertaking. The concert at the opera house under the direction of George H. Reynolds, commander-in-chief of the Civil federation, and your patronage will help to further this great cause.

MARBLE LAND SOLD.

Twenty Acres in Clarendon Just Sold for \$25,000.

Rutland, June 14.—J. D. Pratt of Clarendon has sold 20 acres of land adjoining the 20 acres leased some months ago by the Clarendon Valley Marble company for the sum of \$25,000. The deal was made in Clarendon through agents and a cash deposit of \$500 was made to bind the bargain. A transfer of the property will take place about July 1 to New York parties and the balance of the amount paid.

While the identity of the purchasers is not known to the public there is every reason to believe that representatives of the Clarendon Valley Marble company have bought the land as the quarrying already done by them on the land leased from Mr. Pratt has brought forth indications of the quality and quantity of marble that have been more than satisfactory. Samples taken out last week are better than any secured before, several of them being of better quality than has been expected. A vein of pure white marble which it was not known existed in this spot, has been uncovered and the color of the stone runs from tints to mottled gray.

CAME FROM VERMONT

And Was for 60 Years in Business in Boston.

Boston, June 14.—Benjamin F. Rollins, for over 60 years a Boston merchant, is dead at his home in Brookline. He was born in Springfield, Vt., April 1, 1828. At the age of 10 he left home and worked for two years in the grocery business at Derby Line, Vt., then for several years in the dry goods business in Springfield, Mass.

After coming to Boston, he was connected for a number of years with the wholesale dry goods firm of White, Brown & Davis. In 1857 he became a member of the wholesale firm of Kennedy & Rollins, who occupied quarters on the site of the present postoffice. For 25 years (and until their retirement from business three years ago) Mr. Rollins was president of the Star Carpet company, proprietors of the star stores. About 1888 he was pitcher of the "Olympics," the first uniformed baseball club of Boston, an organization composed of many men, who have since become well known in political and business circles of the city. In 1883 he married a daughter of Dr. Philbrick Stacy, Abba J., who died in 1901. For 50 years he was a member of the Masonic order, belonging to the Mt. Olivet lodge of Cambridge. Mr. Rollins leaves two sons, William S., of Belmont, and Charles F., of Brookline.

RUN DOWN BY AUTO.

Burlington Girl Had Her Nose Crushed by Machine.

Burlington, June 14.—When pretty Etta Ferguson, 16 years old, was out to play in the neighborhood yesterday afternoon she forgot to watch for the omnipresent automobile. The little girl was struck in the street in front of her home at 20 Brooks avenue by the automobile of C. J. Russell. One of the wheels of the car passed over her nose, badly crushing it. Yesterday afternoon she was taken to the hospital where she is resting comfortably and her father, George Reine, said that she would probably recover without disfigurement.

It is only a few days since that Dorothy, the five-year-old sister of Etta, was the central figure in a runaway. Her father's delivery wagon stuck in front of the house when the horse became frightened and started to run. Dorothy bravely seized one of the reins and was dragged to the head of Brooks avenue, where the horse was stopped by a student. She was not injured.

THREE YEARS' SENTENCE

Imposed on Lemmon County Man Yesterday for Incest.

Hyde Park, June 14.—Two criminal cases were disposed of in county court yesterday. F. A. Sweetland, charged with incest, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to not more than three and a half years nor less than three at the house of correction. He will be taken to Rutland to-day. Joseph Cook of Morrisville pleaded guilty to selling intoxicating liquors and was fined \$400 and costs.

THREW SNOWBALLS IN JUNE.

Vermont Botanists Have Unusual Experience on Mount Horrid.

Rutland, June 14.—A party of botanists who arrived here yesterday from a trip of exploration to Mount Horrid in Rochester, had the unusual experience of snowballing in Vermont in June. The altitude of the peak is only 2,500 feet, but the immense cliffs on top are cut by deep fissures into which the sun's rays never penetrate and at the bottom of these three feet of snow was found.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Ralph L. Britain of Northfield Has Debts of \$245,122.

Rutland, June 14.—Two petitions in bankruptcy have just been filed with Clerk E. S. Platt of the United States court. Arthur E. Ramsey of West Windsor, a farmer, has liabilities of \$596,235 and assets of \$240,072, of which \$498 is exempt.

Display the Flag.

Mr. Editor: To-day, June 14, is the 133d anniversary of the birth of the American flag. The Woman's Relief Corps wishes to call the attention of all patriotic citizens and ask them to display the flag from their homes and, in so doing, help the younger generation in our city to respect Old Glory. We wish to teach them to maintain their allegiance to the United States and to love the country in the communities in which we live. And let one and all unite in the salute to the flag. "I pledge my allegiance to God, and my country, one country, one language, one flag." Emma A. LaPoint, press correspondent, R. W. R. C.

OLD INJURY
KILLED HER

Mrs. Dan Guyette of Plainfield Dead

THROWN FROM CARRIAGE

The Accident Happened About Six Weeks Ago and It Was Not Thought Until Recently That She Was Seriously Injured.

Plainfield, June 14.—Mrs. Dan Guyette died last night at her home on Maple hill after a few days' illness. Some six weeks ago Mrs. Guyette was thrown from a carriage, but it was not thought that she was seriously hurt until within a few days. Since then she had grown rapidly worse, death coming last evening. Mrs. Guyette is survived by a husband, one son and one daughter. Funeral services will be held to-morrow.

NEARLY INTO RIVER.

Pair of Runaway Horses Had a Close Call This Afternoon.

While standing near the Montpelier & Wells River freight office this afternoon, a heavy double team, belonging to Roy Nelson of Orange, became frightened at a switch engine and started to run. The driver, Wyman Tucker, also of Orange, was eating his dinner near by, but did not see the horses start in time to stop them. Had it not been for a telegraph pole located at the end of the bridge, it is quite probable that the animals would have plunged into the river below.

After colliding with the pole, they managed to untangle themselves and proceeded on toward the main road and might have done considerable damage, had they not been stopped by another team belonging to Mr. Nelson, which stood on the corner.

TALK OF THE TOWN

New line of parasols at Pitts.

Very low prices on odd suits at Pitts. "Spotted Jacket" is cigar-lander's store.

Special prices on Standard sewing machines at Pitts.

Mrs. W. H. Wales is passing a few days with friends in Melrose.

William Marr has returned home from a brief business trip to New York.

Try a soda to-night after the band concert, at the United Fruit store.

Bananas split, loc. Get one to-night after the band concert, at the United Fruit store.

G. McAllister left the city to-day on an extended business trip to Boston and New York.

James Riley of Riley's orchestra has gone to Hanover, N. H., where he is engaged to play.

Mrs. James Davison left the city to-day for Vergennes, where she will spend a few days with relatives.

The ladies' aid society of St. Monica's church will hold a meeting this evening at the convent at 7:30 o'clock.

Carl and Earl Rogers left to-day for Rockland, Me., where they will pass the summer with their grandparents.

O. H. Hale is in St. Johnsbury this week, where he was called by the illness and death of his brother, John Hale.

E. S. Whitcomb of Boston, formerly of Barre, paid a short visit to this city to-day, while on his way to St. Johnsbury.

Wanted, first-class all-around painter, good at tinting in water colors. Call or apply to E. E. Barnham, Williamstown, Vt.

Rev. C. C. Conner, who has been in the city attending the commencement exercises of Goddard seminary, returned to-day to his home in Springfield, Mass.

Have your ice cream to-night, after you have enjoyed the band concert, at the New England Fruit store, where they serve in individual booths the very finest of flavors.

The people of Barre cannot afford to miss a rare musical treat, such as will be offered at the Barre opera house June 15. A chorus of fifty voices, Gilbertson's orchestra, a soloist of great artistic ability and Miss Alice Trow as reader make an entertainment worthy your patronage.

WAS BORN IN MARSHFIELD.

Newell Paine, Who Was Long in Business in Boston.

The burial service of the late Newell Paine of Boston was held at Green Mount cemetery in Montpelier yesterday afternoon. Rev. Homer Plint of Christ church officiating. A funeral service had been held at Cambridge, Mass., where Mr. Paine died on June 9, the officiating clergyman there having been Dr. Evans.

The body was accompanied to Vermont by Irving L. Rich, a young Boston lawyer, who resides at the house in Cambridge where Mr. Paine had made his home for a few years. Mr. Rich, who by the way, is a graduate of Goddard seminary in the class of 1898, was distantly related to the deceased. Other relatives are Dr. O. H. Reed of this city, an uncle; Mrs. Elmer Tatt, Mrs. E. R. Davis, Mrs. Hattie Reed and Mrs. W. K. Perkins, all of Barre, who were cousins. The Paine relatives did not know of the death until Dr. Reed was attracted to a newspaper dispatch from Boston, telling of the death of one of Boston's oldest druggists. Mr. Paine had been in one place of business at 1181 Tremont street, Roxbury, Mass., for 35 years, and he was still in active business when stricken with heart trouble last week. Before leaving there, he was in the same line for fifteen years, starting in fifty years ago in Montpelier. Until two years ago, Mr. Paine lived in his drug store; but when he was taken ill at that time he went, through the kind invitation of Mr. Rich, to live at 5 Everett street, Cambridge, where Mr. Rich made his home.

Mr. Paine was born in Marshfield, this state, in May, 1843, being the son of Dr. and Mrs. Ezra Paine. His parents also resided in Orange for some time and will be remembered by the older residents there. Newell Paine was their only child. He was never married.

FUNERAL OF MRS. BOOTH

Was Held Yesterday Afternoon from Her Late Home.

The funeral of Mrs. George Booth was held yesterday afternoon from her late home, 8 Cherry street, there being many friends in attendance, and many floral tributes being brought. The officiating clergyman was Rev. J. W. Barrett of the Congregational church. Miss Phillips and George Mitchell sang two selections, "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Abide with Me." The bearers were W. N. Wood, William Pirie, W. J. Reynolds, J. A. Robertson, W. Cameron and James Store. Interment was in Hope cemetery.

S. N. PERKINS' FUNERAL.

Burial Will Be in Concord, N. H., Later, at Present in Hope Cemetery.

The funeral of Seymour F. Perkins was held at ten o'clock this forenoon from his home, 119 Prospect street, with many friends in attendance. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Ezra Boyce of East Rockingham. The bearers were Abram Mann, N. P. Hill, Walter Greenman, William Gilbertson, D. J. Sullivan and Robert Turner. There were many floral tributes. Interment for the present was in Hope cemetery. Later the body will be taken to Concord, N. H., for permanent burial.

INCREASED GRAND LIST.

Burlington Shows a Substantial Gain All Around.

Burlington, June 14.—The grand list of the city of Burlington for 1910 was filed yesterday afternoon in the city clerk's office. The board of assessors, composed of F. O. Beaupre, A. L. Barrows and V. A. Nye, having completed their work two days ahead of the time limit. The total amount of real and personal estate for taxation, including polls, is \$15,913,922, divided as follows: Real estate, \$10,928,804; personal estate, \$3,742,435; 4,844 polls, \$908,800.

It will be seen that the gain in real estate is \$164,244, and the gain in personal estate is \$158,459, while the increase in the number of polls is 25.

The net gain in the grand list for the year is \$400,133.

The first place in the list is wrested from the Wells & Richardson company by the Queen City Cotton company, some of whose property comes into the list for the first time, having previously been exempt. The Queen City Cotton company pays \$82,702, the Wells & Richardson company paying on \$198,204 and the Chase Cotton mills on \$198,200. The Burlington Gas Light company pays on \$138,000 and the Baldwin Refrigerator company on \$100,458.

Individuals paying on more than \$100,000 are C. W. Woodhouse \$127,890; Harry Wells \$122,995; E. A. Woolbury \$115,650; J. H. Gates' estate \$117,150 and F. R. Wells \$105,450.

STOLE WIFE'S LOVE

That Is What Nelson Morrow Accuses Oliver Myers of Doing.

Burlington, June 14.—The case of Nelson Morrow vs. Oliver Myers, an action of alienation of affection, was entered yesterday in Chittenden county court. Both parties reside in Colchester. The plaintiff claims that Mr. Myers made love to his wife, and he wants \$25,000 in damages to repay him for mental anguish, etc. The plaintiff asserts that the defendant unjustly coveted and made plans to deprive him of the society of his wife, Mattie F. Morrow, and to alienate her affections in June, 1910, and since that time. He further charges that the defendant has had improper relations with his wife.

Band Concert To-night.

The following program will be given by the Barre Citizens' band to-night at the stand in city park, commencing at 8 o'clock:—

March, "The Garden".....Bolton
Overture, "Peet and Peasant".....Suppe
A ragtime, "The Glide".....Mills
Cornet solo.....Selected
The Star
Waltz, "Weiner Burger".....Ziehrer
Popular selection, "1910 Hits".....Remick
Finale, "Globe Trotters".....Lamendau
"The Star Spangled Banner"

PLAYGROUND
FOR CHILDREN

Civic Federation Back of an Important Project

PLANS BEING COMPLETED

Apparatus to Be Placed off Berlin Street and a Graduate of a Boston School to Be Placed in Charge.

A children's playground modeled after those established in the larger cities of the country is being prepared off Berlin street in the north end of the city, under the auspices of the Barre Civic Federation of Women's Clubs, and if the movement meets with popular approval and support it is expected that the scope of the work will be broadened and that other playgrounds will in due time be placed in various sections of the city.

Although the arrangements are not fully completed, the federation thought it best to make announcement of the plans at the present time, in the following:—

"The playground movement which is sweeping over our country has stirred the hearts of some of our city mothers, and the plan is to be tried here.

"Early in the spring, the Civic Federation of Women's Clubs decided to make an attempt to establish a public playground for some of our children. Committees were appointed to provide location, to procure equipment, a director, etc., and these committees began their duties at once."

"The location committee expected to have difficulty in finding a suitable place that could be obtained for a rental within their means. They wished, if possible, to locate the playground in the north side of the city. Various sites were visited, and the one which seemed most feasible, in fact, one which seemed quite ideal for the purpose was on Berlin street. Great was the surprise and delight of the committee when the owner, Angelo Scampini, most generously placed the ground at the disposal of the ladies, without charge.

"Such whole-hearted co-operation at the outset greatly encouraged the ladies and made them feel that whenever they should make known their needs, public spirited citizens might be ready to assist. This confidence in the spirit of our people has already found justification in offers of help when the ladies are ready."

"The work of grading the playground is nearly completed and soon it will be enclosed with a wire netting. The apparatus, which is of steel and the best of its kind, has been ordered from a B. J. Spaulding & Co. This being expensive, only a portion of what the committee would like to have installed can be procured at present; but if the movement meets with the approval of our people generally, the means may be forthcoming for the extension of the work. A small pavilion will be erected to serve the double purpose of a shelter in case of sudden showers and will also furnish a floor for the circle games, folk-dances, etc."

"A director has been engaged, who graduated as a teacher from the Boston Normal School of Gymnastics, now made a department of Wellesley college. This young lady, Miss Covey, comes with an excellent recommendation from Miss Homan, the head of the school, who spoke of her as well fitted to take up the work here."

"The advisability of such an undertaking as this is believed by no one today, yet it is only in neighborhoods where such public playgrounds have been for some time maintained that the extent of their influence for good can be known. As it has been in other places, so we feel it will be in our city. Not only will the citizens heartily cooperate in maintaining this one, but will wish to widen the circle of wholesome influence by establishing other playgrounds in other locations."

Good Music and a Good Object.

The Choral union of this city holds forth Wednesday night at the opera house at eight o'clock. Fifty mixed voices, selected by Mr. Clarence Wilson, bass soloist by Clarence Miss Trow, reader, and Gilbertson's orchestra, promise a delightful entertainment. The chorus is made up of the best selected voices in Barre and its members, including Gounod's "Unfold Thy Portals," Pini's "Good-Night Beloved," Watson's "The Gallant Troubadour" and Hayden's "The Heavens are Telling" are happily chosen. The male chorus is scheduled to sing Mendelssohn's "The Hunter's Farewell" and Hastings' beautiful "Bring Her Again."